

Transformation Work Group Meeting

February 14, 2006

Indiana State Library – Indiana Author's Room

Minutes

Members Present: Denny Jones, Cathy Boggs, Ronda Ames, Sabina Calhoun, Rosie Carney, Helene Cross, Gina Eckart, John Hall, Debbie Herrmann, Nancy Jewell, Jim Jones, Jeanne Labrecque, Steve McCaffrey, Pam McConey, John McGrew, John McLane, Kathleen O'Connell, Gilberto Perez, Bernice Pescosolido, Bob Postlethwait, Jim Robertson, Tom Rugh, Kristen Schunk, Jane Seigel, Steve Smith, Peggy Stephens, Sue Uhl, Alma West, Bob Williams

Guests: Veronica Macy, Ann McCranie

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Denny Jones. Introductions were made and new members gave a brief background on themselves.

Alma West presented a summary of the Division of Mental Health and Addiction Transformation State Incentive Grant Application. The grant application addressed the following issues:

Statement of Need – Our Vision, Objectives and Indiana's challenges. The objectives are listed below:

- *A Consumer-Centric System
- *Alignment – Everyone working toward our shared vision
- *Different State Role – More focus on a leadership role
- *Statewide Implementation
- *Measuring Results
- *Leveraging Technology
- *Knowledge Dissemination

Organizational Structure

- *FSSA Secretary, Mitch Roob
- *TWG Chair, Denny Jones
- *Transformation Work Group Membership

Strategy

- *Alma discussed our proposed strategy which is aligned with the agency and our vision. There were a total of 10 strategy statements.

Sustainability

- *Transformation Work Group Chair, Denny Jones
- *DMHA Staff, FSSA Divisions, State Agency Staff and Stakeholders
- *Relationship Management
- *Grant Funding

Data and Evaluation

*Alma discussed our ability to collect and report most of the National Outcome Measures data and the fact that all required reports will be accomplished without significant barriers. The evaluation efforts will consist of three elements which are : Infrastructure Indicator Measurement, Systems Performance Monitoring and Annual Direct Service Reviews.

Alma then presented a summation of SAMHSA's feedback of our grant application.

Cathy discussed the current priorities of DMHA which are listed below:

Localization: The RFP for the localization of Richmond State Hospital was put out on Monday, February 13, 2006. Responses need to be submitted by April 28, 2006.

Larue Carter: DMHA is also working on an initiative of Rebuilding a new Carter Hospital.

Strategic Prevention Framework State Incentive Grant

Transformation

The meeting was then opened for discussion. The question was asked, How many states are going ahead with transformation even though they didn't get the MHT grant. It was not known how many states were continuing with transformation but the MH Block grant is going to force transformation with their requirements. Charles Curie, Administrator of SAMHSA indicated in a conversation with Cathy Boggs there would be technical assistance for transformation. In another conversation Kathryn Powers said SAMHSA will be forming a technical assistance group and will be providing assistance.

Steve Smith asked what are the chances of Indiana attaching with Ohio to share in their transformation process. It was discussed that was unlikely.

The Division is staffing the transformation work groups as follows:

Work Group	Chair	DMHA Staff Member
Consumer	Kim Williams	Rosie Carney
Knowledge Dissemination	Bob Postlethwait	Gina Eckart

Results Management	Bernice Pescosolido	Gina Eckart
Relationship Management	Bob Williams	Debbie Herrmann
Cross Agency Initiatives	Steve McCaffrey	Cathy Boggs / Alma West

Gilberto Perez asked about other funding streams. The division is looking at other grants. We have found no other grants as of yet. A DMHA staff member looks every day at grant opportunities and informs DMHA leadership of them.

Veronica Macy then gave a presentation on Recovery and her personal journey.

She started her presentation with the premise. “Recovery is what happens when a person discovers or rediscovers their personal journey of transformation and changes.”

She then presented her idea of the four part column of recovery. Those four parts are:

Client – Family – MH Professionals – Society

She feels for recovery to happen, all four parts must work together. Without all parts working together recovery will be difficult.

She continued her presentation with her personal journey. Veronica then answered questions from the floor.

Denny Jones moved the discussion to the process of recovery: what is it, what does it mean, does it mean different things at the policy level and the practice level, where are we in Indiana in regards to recovery? Denny proposed developing a framework that will address these questions: an action plan for embracing recovery.

Denny also discussed early intervention and looking at what we need to do to break the cycle.

The next meeting of the Transformation Work Group will be March 14, 2006 from 1 – 3 p.m. in the Indiana Author’s Room of the Indiana State Library.